South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management 1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400 Charleston, South Carolina 29405

and

Charleston District, Army Corps of Engineers 69-A Hagood Avenue Charleston, South Carolina 29403

September 18, 2013 Joint Permit Application Public Notice

Sea Island Yacht Club, 2013-00589-1T

The Department has received an application for a permit for the alteration of a critical area. The application was submitted pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (Act 123) of 1977 South Carolina General Assembly. The application in brief, is described as follows:

LOCATION:

On and adjacent to Bohicket Creek at 2438 Sea Island Yacht Club Road, Wadmalaw Island, Charleston County, South Carolina.

TMS: 150-00-00-098.

WORK:

The work as proposed consists of replacing an existing boat ramp and constructing a new dock. Specifically, the applicant seeks to replace the existing boat ramp with a new 36' x 90' concrete boat ramp with riprap along the sides. The new courtesy dock will consist of a 4' x 120' "L"-shaped floating courtesy dock adjacent to the boat ramp. The work as described by the applicant is to allow boaters access to Bohicket Creek. PLEASE NOTE: The Corps of Engineers public noticed this project on June 14, 2013. SC DHEC OCRM did not notice the project at that time because additional information was required. Of further note: The Operations and Maintenance Manual for this project is available for review.

This public notice is being distributed to all known interested persons and agencies to assist in developing facts on which a decision by the Department can be based. Comments concerning the proposed work must be submitted in writing, setting forth sufficient detail to furnish a clear understanding of the reasons for support or opposition.

Comments regarding this application must be received by the Department on or before October 18, 2013. For more information, please contact Bill Eiser at 843-953-0237 or via email at eiserwc@dhec.sc.gov.

NOTE:

Plans depicting the proposed work are available and will be provided upon receipt of a written request or may be viewed on the Department website at www.scdhec.gov/environment/ocrm/public notice.htm.

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS 69A Hagood Avenue Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107 and the S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

OFFICE OF OCEAN AND COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400

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REGULATORY DIVISION Refer to: P/N # 2013-00589-1T

14 June 2013

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), and the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act (48-39-10 et.seq.) an application has been submitted to the Department of the Army and the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control by

SEA ISLAND YACHT CLUB
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JACK T. WALKER
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for a permit to place fill material and structures in

BOHICKET CREEK

at the Sea Island Yacht Club located at 2438 Sea Island Yacht Club Road, Rockville, Charleston County, South Carolina (32.597522 Latitude/ -80.196758 Longitude)

In order to give all interested parties an opportunity to express their views

NOTICE

is hereby given that written statements regarding the proposed work will be received by the **Corps** until

15 Days from the Date of this Notice,

from those interested in the activity and whose interests may be affected by the proposed work.

The proposed work consists of the repair of an existing boat ramp and the construction of a new boat ramp courtesy dock. The existing 32' X 90' boat ramp will be replaced with new concrete. The project also involves the construction of a new 4' X 80' and 4' X 20' floating courtesy dock. The purpose of the proposed project is to provide boating access to Bohicket Creek. Please note that the original permit number for the boat ramp was SAC # 75-3A-122. No mitigation is being proposed due to the minimal impacts associated with the project. The replacement boat ramp will be constructed in the same location as the existing boat ramp. The only impacts associated with the courtesy dock construction will be from the few pilings used to hold the floating dock in place.

NOTE: Plans depicting the work described in this notice are available and will be provided, upon receipt of a written request, to anyone that is interested in obtaining a copy of the plans for the specific project. The request must identify the project of interest by public notice number and a self-addressed stamped envelope must also be provided for mailing the drawings to you. Your request for drawings should be addressed to the

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION 69A Hagood Avenue Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107

The District Engineer has concluded that the discharges associated with this project, both direct and indirect, should be reviewed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in accordance with provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. As such, this notice constitutes a request, on behalf of the applicant, for certification that this project will comply with applicable effluent limitations and water quality standards. The work shown on this application must also be certified as consistent with applicable provisions the Coastal Zone Management Program (15 CFR 930). The District Engineer will not process this application to a conclusion until such certifications are received. The applicant is hereby advised that supplemental information may be required by the State to facilitate the review.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Implementation of the proposed project would impact 3360 square feet of estuarine substrates and emergent wetlands utilized by various life stages of species comprising the red drum, shrimp, and snapper-grouper management complexes. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial individual or cumulative adverse impact on EFH or fisheries managed by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the NMFS.

The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project will have no effect on any Federally endangered, threatened, or proposed species and will not result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat.

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This public notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service for any additional information they may have on whether any listed or proposed endangered or threatened species or designated or proposed critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (as amended).

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), this public notice also constitutes a request to Indian Tribes to notify the District Engineer of any historic properties of religious and cultural significance to them that may be affected by the proposed undertaking.

In accordance with the NHPA, the District Engineer has also consulted the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places for the presence or absence of registered properties, or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein, and this worksite is not included as a registered property or property listed as being eligible for inclusion in the Register. To insure that other cultural resources that the District Engineer is not aware of are not overlooked, this public notice also serves as a request to the State Historic Preservation Office to provide any information it may have with regard to historic and cultural resources.

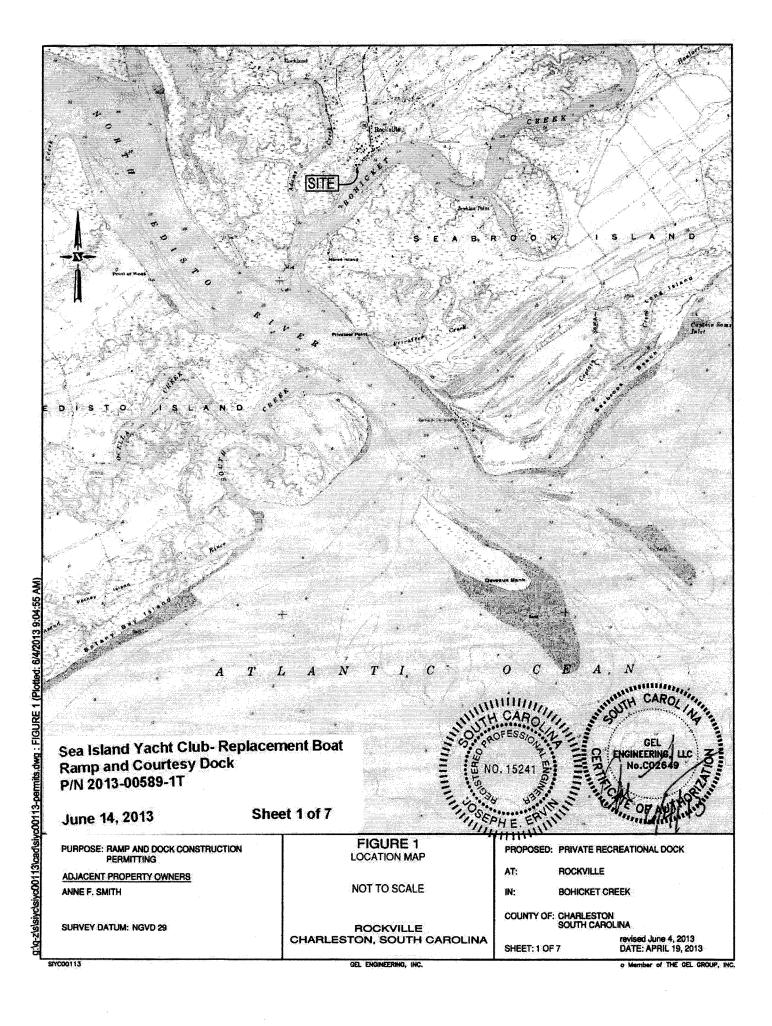
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

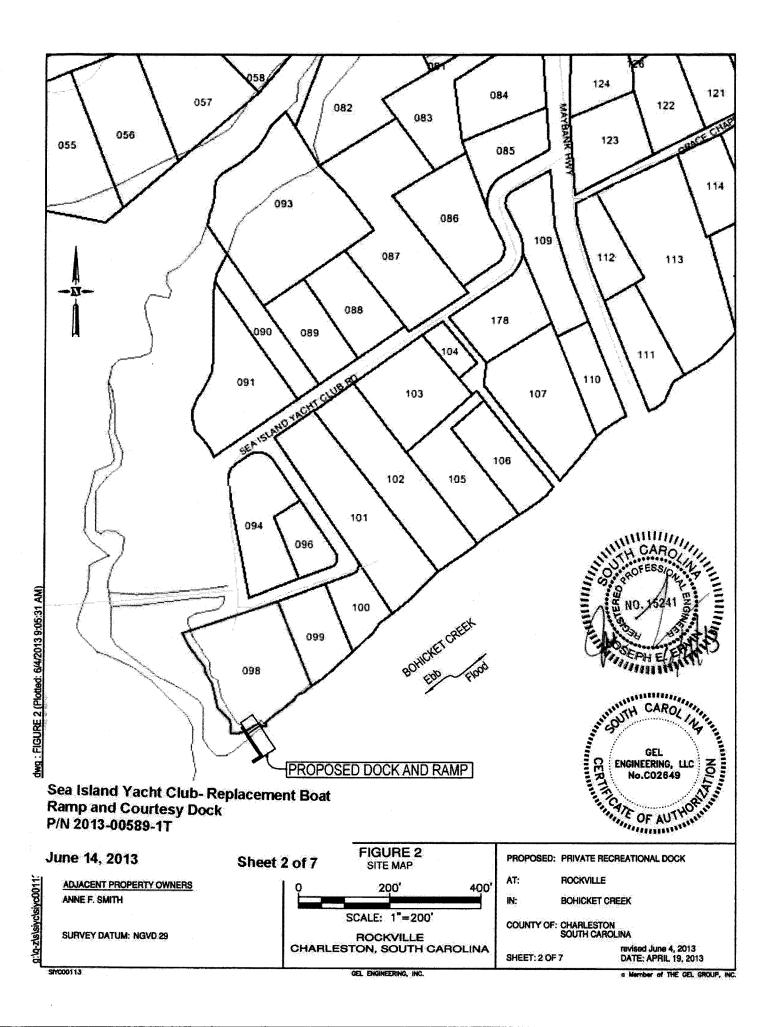
The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest and will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act and, as appropriate, the criteria established under authority of Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, as amended. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. A permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest. In cases of conflicting property rights, the Corps of Engineers cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims.

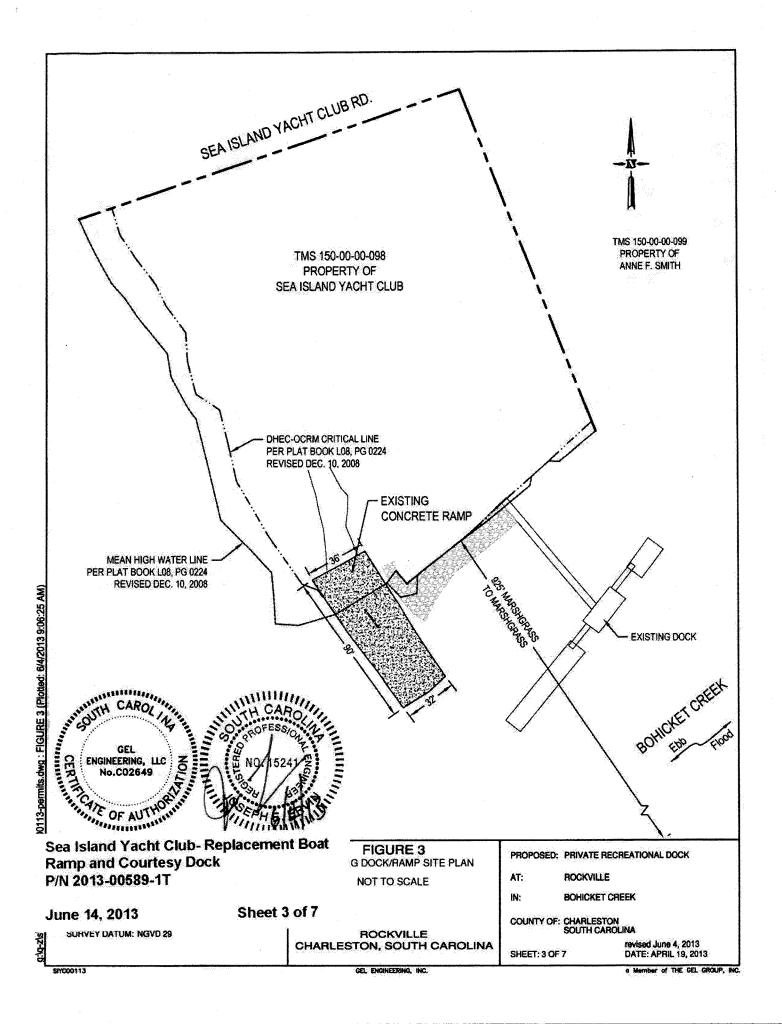
The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this project. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

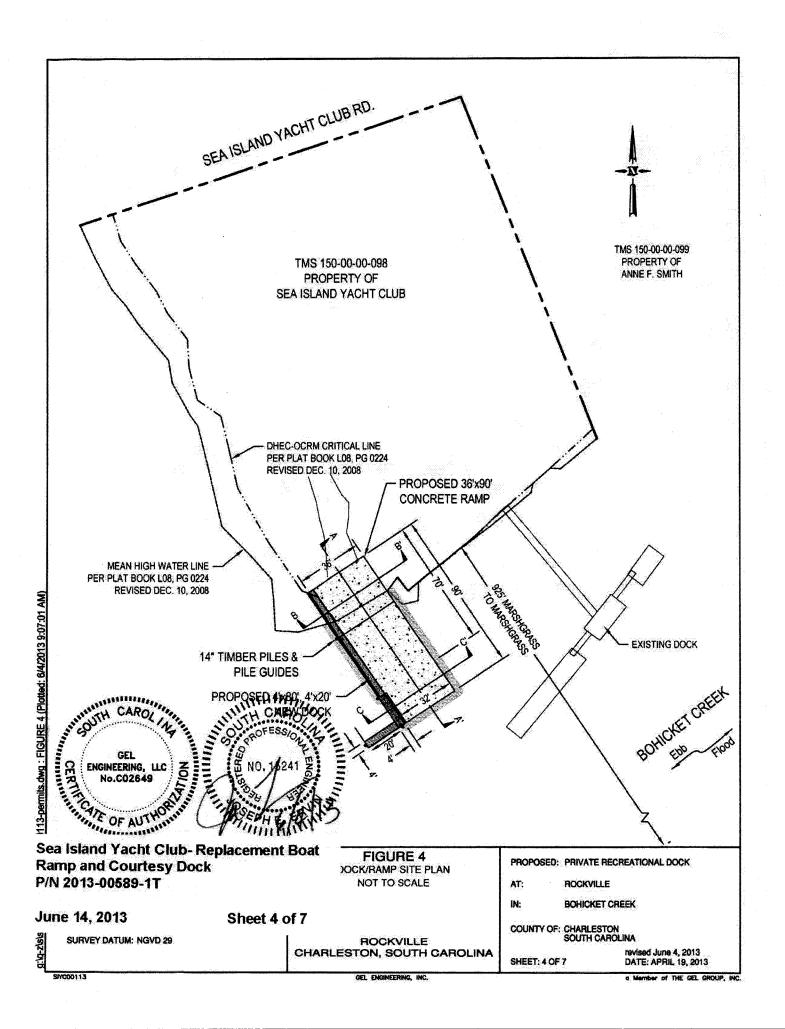
If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact **Debbie King** at 843-329-8044 or toll free at 1-866-329-8187.

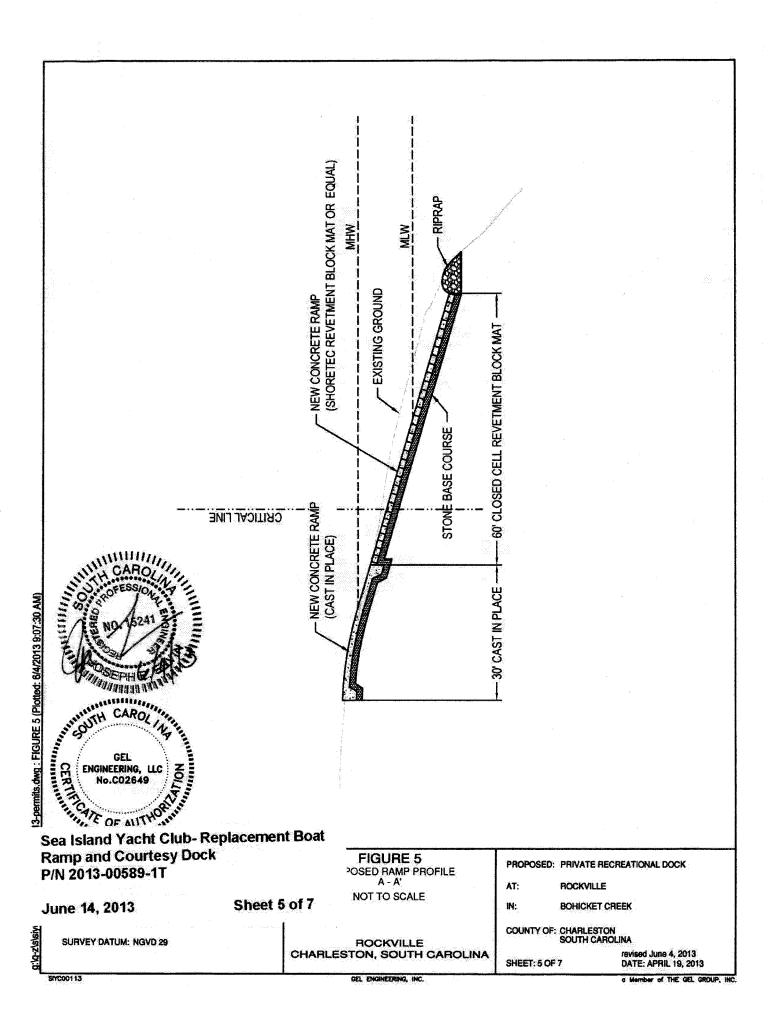
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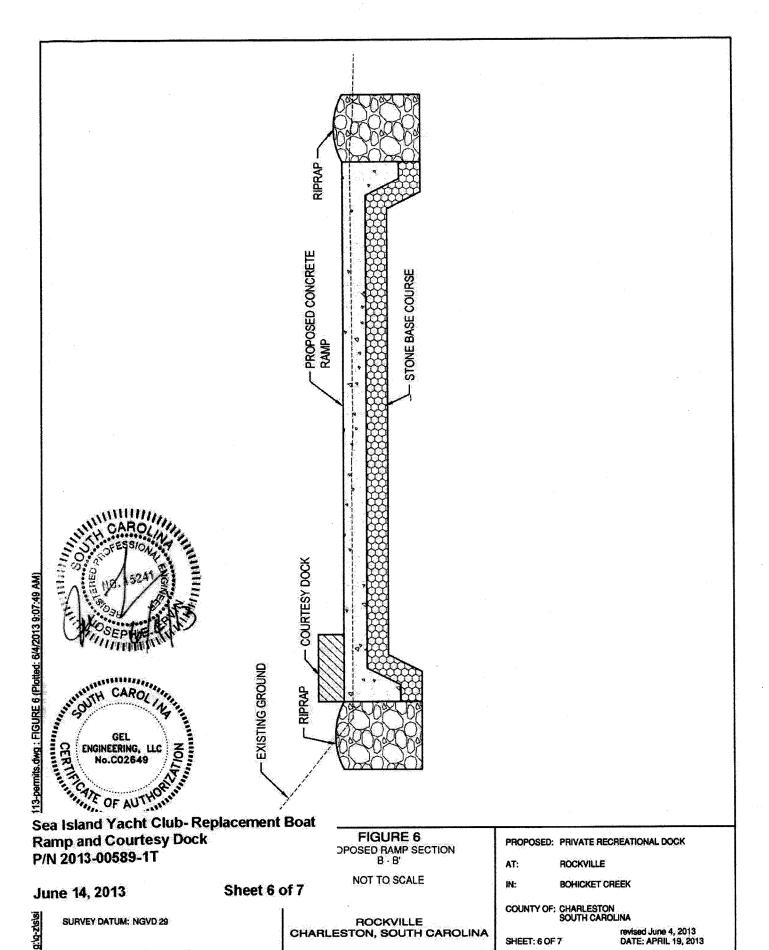












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